World Bank Assistance for Jharkhand Community Development Project

5044. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any team of the World Bank had visited some districts of Jharkhand in February, 2002, regarding Jharkhand Community Development Project;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the outcome of its visit; and

(d) the quantum of assistance given/proposed to be given by the World Bank to each of these districts and to Jharkhand Community Development Project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) to (d): The mission's initial visit was intended to identify the scope, modalities and issues for the proposed Community Forestry Project, as requested by Government of Jharkhand through Government of India to the Bank for possible financing.

NPA norms for NBFCs

5045. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether RBI recently revised NPA norms for NBFCs;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether NBFCs are not properly implementing the various guidelines of RBI to check NPAs;

(d) if so, the details of such violations which came to the notice of Government during the last three years and action contemplated thereon; and

(e) the steps Government propose to take to ensure that NBFCs properly follow the guidelines of the RBI?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) and (b) The Reserve Bank of India has recently revised the NPA norms for NBFCs in regard to Call and Demand Loans. The Bank has directed that NBFCs should stipulate the cut off date within which repayment of the loan will be demanded/called up by the NBFC. Such a policy should be duly approved by its Board of Directors. In case the cut off date is beyond one year, the sanctioning authority should record specific reasons therefor. Policy should also stipulate the rate of interest as also the rests at which the interest is payable. If a memorandum is granted for payment of interest,